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In re the Application of GRUTKE et al.

International Application PCT/EP 00/08913

Filed: September 13, 2000

For: BIODEGRADABLE, THERMOPLASTIC MOLDING MATERIALS

Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, D.C. 20031

Sir:

PETITION TO REVIVE UNDER 37 CFR 1.137(b)

The above-mentioned PCT application became abandoned for failure to enter the National Stage in the United States within 30 months from the priority date. A proper Demand for International Preliminary Examination was made by the 19th month from the priority date. The priority date of the application is September 13, 1999, which makes the due date March 13, 2002. Accordingly, the abandonment date of this application is March 14, 2002.

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03 FC:141 Applicant hereby petitions to revive this unintentionally abandoned application.

Applicant submits herewith the necessary documentation and fees necessary for entering the National Stage in the United States under 35 U.S.C. 371. A check for the petition fee of \$1,280 is also enclosed. The entire delay in taking the necessary steps to enter the National Stage in the United States and filing the enclosed documentation with the USPTO from the due date until the filing of this petition was unintentional.

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